UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS CORPUS CHRISTI DIVISION

DARRON MORGAN,

Plaintiff,

VS.

Plaintiff,

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CIVIL ACTION NO. C-11-124

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TDCJ MCCONNELL UNIT, et al,

Defendants.

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Defendants.

ORDER ADOPTING MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDATION AND GRANTING DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Pending before the Court is Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment (D.E. 52). On March 28, 2012, United States Magistrate Judge B. Janice Ellington issued a Memorandum and Recommendation (D.E. 61), recommending that Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment be granted. Plaintiff filed his Objection (D.E. 64) on April 12, 2012.

The Memorandum and Recommendation recommends granting the Defendant's motion on two grounds: (1) Plaintiff's failure to exhaust administrative remedies; and (2) Defendant's qualified immunity defense. With respect to the failure to exhaust claim, the Memorandum notes that Plaintiff did not file a grievance against Defendant Maximilliano Herrera or Defendant William Burgin according to the copies of grievances provided to the Court. The records affidavit indicated that one additional grievance had been filed, but that copies were not provided to the Court because the file has been misplaced. Plaintiff's Objection states that Plaintiff filed a grievance as indicated in an affidavit filed

with his response. The Plaintiff still has not established that he filed an appropriate

grievance against these Defendants on the grounds alleged in his Complaint. Moreover,

by failing to address the second recommended holding on the defense of qualified

immunity, Plaintiff would not be entitled to a denial of summary judgment even if he had

supplied adequate proof of exhaustion of administrative remedies.

Having reviewed the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations

set forth in the Magistrate Judge's Memorandum and Recommendation, as well as

Petitioner's Objections, and all other relevant documents in the record, and having made

a de novo disposition of the portions of the Magistrate Judge's Memorandum and

Recommendation to which objections were specifically directed, the Court

OVERRULES Petitioner's Objections and ADOPTS as its own the findings and

conclusions of the Magistrate Judge. Accordingly, Respondent's Motion for Summary

Judgment (D.E. 52) is GRANTED and this action is DISMISSED WITH

PREJUDICE.

ORDERED this 4th day of May, 2012.

NELVA GONZALES RAMOS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE